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SUBJECT: PLO PRESENCE IN NIGERIA

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- 1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED INVITATION FROM "ARAB DIPLOMATS IN LAGOS" TO RECEPTION AUGUST 12 IN HONOR OF PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO) REPRESENTATIVE KHADER MANSOUR. INVITATION WAS ADDRESSED TO ONE OFFICER ONLY AND WAS APPARENTLY BASED ON THIS OFFICER'S WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH COUNTERPART IN IRAQI EMBASSY.
- 2. COMMENT: INVITATION APPEARS TO BE PART OF CONCERTED EFFORT ON APRT OF ARAB GROUP TO PUSH PLO REPRESENTATIVE ON LOCAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DIPLOMATIC SCENE, AND POSSIBLY ATTEMPT TO TEST FMG'S REACTION.

GIVEN FMG'S RELUCTANCE TO GRANT OFFICIAL STATUS TO PLO (REFTEL), WE ARE INCLINED TO BELIEVE ARAB INITIATIVE MAY ANNOY FMG, PERHAPS EVEN INCLINE FMG NOT TO RENEW MANSOUR'S VISA WHEN IT EXPIRES. ONLY OTHER SIGN WE HAVE SEEN OF LOCAL PLO ACTIVITY WAS PLO PRESS RELEASE ISSUED AT END OR RECENT STATE VISIT BY PRESIDENT OF MAURITANIA, IN WHICH PLO WELCOMED PORTION OF JOINT FMG/MAURITANIA STATEMENT WHICH SUPPORTED ARAB CAUSE IN MIDDLE EAST.

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